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plan of the former P'yŏnggang-ŭp area of Kangwŏn-do, keyed to an
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I. DetailsGeographic Information, P'yonggang-~~yo~~

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The following is the legend to the attached sketch of the area:

- 1) Command Post of the Chinese Communist Armed Forces: These Chinese Communist Armed Forces were stationed in the general area of former P'yonggang-~~yo~~. Before the Korean war broke out, this building was used by the P'yonggang Senior Middle School; It was a two (2)-storied brick building with Japanese type cement tile-roof and brick-walls coated with gray cement, approximately 35 meters long, 12 meters wide and nine (9) meters high.
- 2) Well: It was used for drinking water. There was a round cement frame on the well, which was approximately 1.2 meters in diameters and 1.5 meters high from the ground.
- 3) Barracks of the Chinese Communist Armed Forces: There were approximately 45 barracks, located in the northeast of the former P'yonggang-~~yo~~ Railroad Station. All buildings were same type: approximately ten (10) meters long, 4.5 meters wide, three (3) meters high, roofed with black roofing paper (coal-tar and sand were fixed on the roofing paper.), and earthen walls. Inside of each building, there was a corridor, approximately 50 centimeters wide, which was placed in the middle of the building. On the both sides of the corridor, there were rooms for sleeping and eating.
- 4) Coal Storage: It was used by the Chinese Communist Armed Forces. This was an open storage, which kept coal approximately five (5) meters in diameter and three (3) meters in height.
- 5) War supplies' storages of the Chinese Communist Armed Forces: There were approximately 12 storages; Each one was covered with a black tent, approximately six (6) meters in diameter and two (2) meters in height. These storages were placed at intervals of approximately ten (10) meters.
- 6) Three (3) tent-offices: These offices were used by the railroad station's personnel of the former P'yonggang-~~yo~~ Railroad Station; They were placed at intervals of approximately two (2) meters and established with the round type tent of Chinese Communist Armed Forces; Each tent-office was approximately five (5) meters in diameter and 2.5 meters in height. Inside of the offices, there were Koreans and Chinese soldiers together. (The building of the former P'yonggang-~~yo~~ Railroad Station was occupied by the Chinese Communist Armed Forces only.)
- 7) Traffic control stand: It was located at the cross-road. At the traffic control stand, there was a military police of the People's Armed Forces,

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who was controlling traffics, holding flags in his both hands.

- 8) No. two (2) residence-quarter of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: There were approximately 70 houses, and each house was single-storied wooden structure, approximately nine (9) meters long, 2.5 meters wide, three (3) meters high, earthen walls and straw-thatched roof. Each house was constructed to accommodate two (2) households. These residences were constructed after the Armistice.
- 9) Dispensary of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was built in angle type (7), approximately 15 meters long, five (5) meters wide, four (4) meters high, single-storied wooden structure, straw-thatched roof and earthen walls. It was constructed after the Armistice. At rear of the dispensary building, there were four (4) houses constructed in the same type with those mentioned in (8).
- 10) Hydrant: According to the observation in July 1956, this hydrant was supplied with water.
- 11) Unknown building: It was presumed to be one of the buildings used by the National Pokkye Combined Farm. It was a single-storied wooden structure with earthen walls and straw-thatched roof, approximately eight (8) meters long, three (3) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 12) Main Office of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied red brick-building with irregular grey slate-roof, approximately 20 meters long, eight (8) meters wide and four (4) meters high.
- 13) Warehouse of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied red brick-building with irregular slate-roof, approximately 18 meters long, eight (8) meters wide and four (4) meters high.
- 14) Open Storage: According to the observation in the spring of 1957, there was a straw-sacks pile which was approximately 15 meters long, five (5) meters wide and six (6) meters high.
- 15) Farm Implements Repair Shop of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden building black tin-plate-roof and unpainted board-walls, approximately ten (10) meters long, five (5) meters wide and four (4) meters high. Inside of the building, there were blacksmith equipments.
- 16) Horse-stable of the main office of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and unpainted board-walls, approximately 20 meters long, eight (8) meters wide and 2.5 meters high. There were approximately 30 horses accommodated in the stable.
- 17) Reconstructed houses: There were approximately 100 houses. Most of them

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were reconstructed after the Armistice. These houses were constructed in a single-storied wooden structure with earthen walls and straw-thatched roof. According to the observation, the houses were occupied by a small number of the general public, soldiers of the People's Armed Forces and the workers of the National Poldye Combined Farm.

- 18) Building occupied by an unknown unit of the People's Armed Forces: This was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately six (6) meters long, three (3) meters wide and three (3) meters high. According to the observation, there were one (1) or two (2) Soviet-made trucks, always parked in front of the building.
- 19) Office of the Ku-mp (former town) 1st Work-team of the National Poldye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately ten (10) meters long, eight (8) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 20) Sawmill of the National Poldye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure without walls, approximately eight (8) meters long, eight (8) meters wide, three (3) meters high and roofed with boards. In the north of the sawmill, there was a ground approximately 70 meters square. This ground was used for an open storage of lumber, and a corner of the ground was used for ox-carts.
- 21) Construction-team Office of the National Poldye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately ten (10) meters long, six (6) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 22) Security Department of the National Poldye Combined Farm: The personnel of this office were dispatched from the internal affairs organization. It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately eight (8) meters long, four (4) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 23) Club of the National Poldye Combined Farm: Actually, this building was used for the offices of the trade league committee and junior party committee of the National Poldye Combined Farm. It was constructed in angle type (ㄱ), single-storied wooden structure, straw-thatched roof and earthen walls approximately 26 meters long, six (6) meters wide and 3.5 meters high.
- 24) Former P'yonggang-mp Consumers' Guild Store: It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately 15 meters long, five (5) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 25) Dryfields: Which were marked on the sketch with lines. The dryfields were cultivated since 1957.

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- 26) Cement bin: It was used for storage of fodder, approximately three (3) meters in diameter and four (4) meters in height. It was located on the former road.
- 27) Stall of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure with irregular slate-roof and earthen walls, approximately 13 meters long, five (5) meters wide and three (3) meters high.
- 28) Guard Post: It was located on the dike. This post was built to watch the dike and sluice. The post hut was an unpainted wooden structure, approximately 1.5 meters square and two (2) meters high.
- 29) 5th Junior Middle School in P'yonggang-gun: It was a single-storied wooden structure with straw-thatched roof and earthen walls, approximately 25 meters long, ten (10) meters wide and five (5) meters high.
- 30) Swine-breeding Team of the National Pokkye Combined Farm: It was a single-storied wooden structure with Korean tile-roof and unpainted board-walls, approximately 20 meters long, eight (8) meters wide and 3.5 meters high.
- 31) Parking-place of the People's Armed Forces: Formerly, there was a building used by the recuperation station, which was destroyed by bombing during the war-time. A building located in the east of the parking-place was occupied by an unknown unit of the People's Armed Forces.
- 32) "No thoroughfare" notice-board: The road, indicated on the sketch with (27) and (26), was prohibited to use since the Armistice. Therefore,

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